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1. WALTER PINCUS OF WASHINGTON POST REPORTED THAT SENATOR MARK HATFIELD HAD OFFERED AMENDMENT TO STRIKE FUNDS FOR PRODUCTION OF NEW NEUTRON KILLER WARHEAD THAT ARE IN ERDA PORTION OF PUBLIC WORKS APPROPRIATION. HATFIELD SAID HE DID NOT EXPECT AMENDMENT TO WIN IN SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OR IN FULL COMMITTEE. HE SAID HE WAS "MAKING RECORD TO TAKE FOR VOTE ON SENATE FLOOR." SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JOHN STENNIS WAS LEADING DEFENDER OF NEW WEAPON. HE WAS SAID TO HAVE ARGUED THAT NEW WARHEAD WOULD SUPPORT CONCEPT OF LIMITED NUCLEAR LAND WAR THAT WOULD NOT SPREAD TO USE OF STRATEGIC UNCLASSIFIED

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WEAPONS. FINAL SUBCOMMITTEE VOTE ON HATFIELD AMENDMENT DELAYED UNTIL MORE INFORMATION COULD BE OBTAINED ON WARHEAD RESEARCH AND PRODUCTION SCHEDULE.

2. SYNDICATED COLUMNISTS ROWLAND EVANS AND ROBERT NOVAK WRITING IN WASHINGTON POST DISCUSSED WHAT WAS TERMED

PRESIDENT CARTER'S "LIBERTIES WITH THE WHOLE TRUTH," PARTICULARLY HIS "QUESTIONABLE STATEMENT ON SALT." EVANS AND NOVAK REPORTED: "CHALLENGED AS TO WHETHER HIS PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF US POLICIES WAS HURTING THIS COUNTRY'S NEGOTIATING POSITION ON SALT AND MIDDLE EAST, CARTER SAID: 'I THINK IT'S GOOD FOR AMERICAN PEOPLE TO KNOW WHAT OUR POSITIONS ARE AT TIME THAT SOVIETS KNOW WHAT OUR POSITIONS ARE, AND VICE VERSA. THIS IS MATTER THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED OPENLY.' BUT NEW US ARMS CONTROL PACKAGE IS NOT BEING OPENLY DISCUSSED, AS WAS EARLIER PACKAGE REJECTED BY MOSCOW. NOT ONLY DO AMERICAN PEOPLE NOT KNOW WHAT IS IN IT, BUT MOREOVER IT HAS BEEN TIGHTLY HELD AT TOP LEVELS OF STATE DEPARTMENT AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY. EVEN JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF WERE UNINFORMED UNTIL JUST BEFORE IT WAS PRESENTED TO RUSSIANS IN GENEVA. WHEN TEN KEY SENATORS WERE SUMMONED TO WHITE HOUSE TO TALK ABOUT SALT BEFORE GENEVA MEETING, CARTER WOULD DIVULGE NO DETAILS. US PROPOSALS CAME OUT A WEEK AFTER RUSSIANS HEARD ABOUT THEM-- AND THEN TO CLOSED SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE SESSION WITH SENATORS SWORN TO SECRECY. TO THIS MOMENT, THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF CURRENT PROPOSALS TO LIMIT NUCLEAR WEAPONS."

3. SYNDICATED COLUMNIST JOSEPH KRAFT IN COLUMN FROM MOSCOW PUBLISHED IN WASHINGTON POST DISCUSSED WHAT HE CALLED BASIC AMERICAN STEREOTYPE OF SOVIET RUSSIA AS "19TH-CENTURY COUNTRY WITH 20TH-CENTURY MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT--SECOND-RATE NATION WORRISOME ONLY BECAUSE IT HAS NUCLEAR WEAPONS." FACT IS, KRAFT SAID, RUSSIA IS UNCLASSIFIED

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"COLOSSUS WITHOUT FEET OF CLAY. IT HAS WEAPONS, PEOPLE, RESOURCES, TECHNOLOGY AND CAPACITY TO GROW. IT CANNOT BE IGNORED, NOR BULLIED, NOR MASTERED, NOR RUN INTO GROUND. SOVIET UNION HAS TO BE LIVED WITH, AND ESSENCE OF ANY AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY IS STRATEGY THAT ENCOMPASSES COEXISTENCE AS WELL AS COMPETITION WITH OTHER SUPER-POWER."

4. NEW YORK TIMES PUBLISHED REUTERS DISPATCH FROM OTTAWA ON MEETING OF EIGHT NATO DEFENSE MINISTERS ON HOW WESTERN ALLIANCE SHOULD REACT TO DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOVIET BALLISTIC MISSILES. CENTRAL POINT OF TWO-DAY DISCUSSION WILL BE AMERICAN CRUISE MISSILE. MINISTERS LAST NOVEMBER IN LONDON THREATENED TO BRING CRUISE MISSILE TO EUROPE IN RESPONSE TO DEVELOPMENT OF SEVERAL NEW SOVIET MISSILES. THEY ORDERED EXPERT STUDIES ON HOW THIS WOULD BE DONE. SENIOR POLITICAL AND MILITARY SOURCES, DISPATCH NOTED, SAID OTTAWA SESSION WOULD CALL FOR MORE REFINED PLANS FOR GROUP'S NEXT SESSION. CANADIAN DEFENSE MINISTER BARNEY DANSON SAID

"WE WILL CARRY FORWARD STUDIES ON CRUISE." VANCE

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